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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: MUZOREWA

"ZIMBABWE: MUZOREWA ON A LONELY PATH" WAS TITLE FRONT-PAGE EDITORIAL AUGUST 13 ZAIRE DAILY "ELIMA." ARTICLE CHARACTERIZES "ANGLO-SAXON DIPLOMACY" AS ONE OF "SEARCHING" FOR SOLUTIONS TO ISRAELI-ARAB CONFLICT, SOUTH AFRICAN-NAMIBIAN QUESTION AND RHODESIA. EXAMINING MUZOREWA'S MOTIVES FOR LONDON VISIT, EDITORIAL SAYS HE "INCONTESTABLY A KEY PERSON IN IAN SMITH'S POLITICS FOR FINDING AN INTERNAL SOLUTION TO THODESIAN PROBLEM." ARTICLE STATES THAT IN HIS TALKS WITH DAVID OWEN, MOZOREWA WANTS TO EXPRESS HIS "ENTHUSIASTIC ADHERENCE TO IDEA OF INTERNAL SOLUTION RECOMMENDED BY IAN SMITH." AFTER MENTIONING DEFECTION OF MR. CHIKOSI FROM MUZOREWA'S ANC, ARTICLE SPECULATES THAT REVEREND SITHOLE MIGHT BECOME MUZOREWA'S NUMBER TWO MAN AND THAT THE TWO TOGETHER "WOULD SEEM DISPOSED TOWARDS ALLOWING WHITES TO SIT IN PARLIAMENT IN ORDER TO SOLVE THE DIFFICULTY REVOLVING AROUND IAN SMITH'S INSISTENCE ON RESTRICTED SUFFRAGE, THE ONLY WAY HE HAS OF ASSURING REPRESENTATION TO THE WHITES AND AT THE SAME TIME DEFENDING THEIR INTERESTS." ARTICLE STATES THAT IN RETURN
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MUZOREWA WANTS OWEN TO AGREE NOT TO GIVE "PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT TO THE 'PATRIOTIC FRONT'S WHO ARE DEMANDING THAT THEIR FIGHTING FORCES BE MERGED WITH THOSE OF THE RHODESIAN SECURITY FORCES DURING THE TRANSITION PERIOD." MUZOREWA, EDITORIAL CONCLUDES, IS FORGETTING THAT THE PATRIOTIC FRONT WAS RECOGNIZED BY THE OAU, "AT LIBREVILLE, AFTER THE FRONT LINE COUNTRIES, HAD RECOGNIZED IT AS THE SOLE LEGITIMATE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE

ZIMBABWE PEOPLES."

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